

Benefice of Clifton and Southill

All Saints Church Clifton

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Your Wedding



Information Booklet

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Dear Bride & Groom,

We are so glad that you have come to church for your wedding and hope the marriage will be a really wonderful occasion as you make your Marriage Vows and receive God's Blessing for your life together.

You will have lots of questions needing to be answered but hopefully this booklet will help you with some of the decisions you have to make about the service in church. Obviously the priest who is to marry you will meet with you both to discuss all of the arrangements so please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Following the first meeting with the Parish Priest, you will need to discuss the music and flowers, if needed, with Suzanne Stapleton for Clifton and Meg Pexton at Southill, and the relevant organist at the church where you are to be married. Telephone numbers can be found on P4

We will read your Banns on:

Dates:,, Year:.....

AtChurch, in

Atam

We'd like you to be present for these readings. If either of you lives outside the parish you will need to go to your own parish church to have them read there also.

Details of further meetings:.....

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Details of rehearsal:.....

Experience has encouraged us to indicate some guidelines for you: Out of consideration for the Bridegroom, please could the Bride arrive at the service on time. We ask that your photographer take photos from the back of church, and Vestry only, otherwise it becomes a distraction. It is customary for the organist to provide the music prior to the service

With my prayers and good wishes as you prepare for your Wedding Day and future life together,

Every Blessing, *Revd Caren*

FEES Year: 2016

The fees are payable 2 weeks before the ceremony.

Marriage service	£415.00
Marriage certificate	£4.00
Calling Banns	£27.00
Organist	£108.00
Verger	£34.00
Utilities/mission/Copyright	£132.00
Sub Total	£ _____
Extras	
Choir	£81.00
Bells	£132.00
TOTAL	£ _____

£50.00 Deposit is requested when service is booked
The balance to be paid 2 weeks before the ceremony
Fees are revised annually
Payment by cheque or bank transfer to
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Order of Service

Entry of the Bride (*Bridal March from Lohengrin* by *Richard Wagner* or other music—discuss with organist)

Introduction and welcome

Hymn 1

Reading

Talk

Hymn 2 *

The Marriage Vows

Exchange of rings

Blessing of Marriage

Prayers

Hymn 3

Signing of Register—*for music please discuss with the organist.*

Exit (*Wedding March* from *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by Mendelssohn; or other music—Discuss with organist)

* If you want 2 hymns you may choose to have the second in the place of Hymn 3. Please wait until you have spoken to the Priest and Organist before printing the Order of Service

Reading

Choose one of the following:

1 Genesis 2:18-25

Then the LORD God said, ‘It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.’ So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, ‘This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.’
Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

2 Mark 10:6-9

But from the beginning of creation, “God made them male and female.” “For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.’

3 John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

4 1 John 4:7-12

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

5 1 Corinthians 13

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

6 Song of Songs 8: 6-7

Set me as a seal upon your heart,
as a seal upon your arm;
for love is strong as death,
passion fierce as the grave.
Its flashes are flashes of fire,
a raging flame.
Many waters cannot quench love,
neither can floods drown it.
If one offered for love
all the wealth of one's house,
it would be utterly scorned.

7 John 15: 9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

8 Colossians 3:12-15

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful.

9 Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a
crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her
and your land Married
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

10 Philippians 4:4-10

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.
Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is
near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by
prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your
requests be made known to God. And the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding, will guard your
hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is
honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever
is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any
excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise,
think about these things. Keep on doing the things that
you have learned and received and heard and seen in
me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Hymns

Choose 2 or 3 hymns for your service.

Service

Please speak to the organist who will advise you regarding your hymn choice.

You may like to consider the following hymns. If you have a favourite which isn't here please speak to the organist at the Church where you are to be married.

(To the tune of Morning has Broken)

Joyful our meeting, glad to be sharing,
Blessed as two united as one.
Faithfully keeping promises given,
Love be your guide, in marriage begun.

May love's intention flourish and deepen,
Growing in wholeness, friendship and care.
Richer and poorer, hold to each other,
Live in the grace God offers you here.

Go now together each for the other,
Sharing the journey started today.
Travel with patience, trust and commitment,
Looking to God and walking his way.

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
he made their glowing colours,
he made their tiny wings.

The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky.

The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
he made them everyone.

He gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty,
who has made all things well.

Morning has broken
like the first morning,
blackbird ahs spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing,
praise for the morning,
praise for them, springing
fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall
sunlit form heaven,
like the first dewfall
on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight,
mine is the morning,
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation,
praise every morning,
God's re-creation
of the new day!

Colours of day dawn into the mind,
the sun has come up,
the night is behind.
Go down in the city into the street,
and let's give the message
to the people we meet.

*So light up the fire
and let the flame burn,
open the door, let Jesus return,
take the seeds of his Spirit,
let the fruit grow,
tell the people of Jesus,
let his love show.*

Go through the park, on into the town;
the sun still shines on;
it never goes down.
The light of the world is risen again;
the people of darkness
are needing our friend.

Open your eyes, look into the sky,
the darkness has come,
the sun came to die.
The evening draws on,
the sun disappears,
but Jesus is living,
and his Spirit is near.

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green He leadeth me
The quiet waters by

My soul He doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for his own name's sake

Yea though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down.
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, Thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy grace receive;
Suddenly return and never,
Never more Thy temple leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above;
Pray and praise Thee, without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation:
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise.

One more step along the world I go,
One more step along the world I go,
From the old things to the new
Keep me travelling along with you.

*And it's from the old
I travel to the new,
Keep me travelling
Along with you.*

Round the corners of the world I turn,
More and more about the world I learn,
All the new things that I see
You'll be looking at along with me.

As I travel through the bad and good,
Keep me travelling the way I should.
Where I see no way to go,
You'll be telling me the way, I know.

Give me courage when the world is rough,
Keep me loving though the world is tough,
Leap and sing in all I do,
Keep me travelling along with you.

You are older than the world can be,
You are younger than the life in me.
Ever old and ever new,
Keep me travelling along with you.

For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,
*Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.*

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon and stars of light,

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
Pleasures pure and undefiled,

For each perfect gift of thine,
To our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven,

For thy Church which evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love,

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon,
Lord And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

[Chorus]

*Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

[Chorus]

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to all men that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

O perfect Love, all human thought transcending,
Lowly we kneel in prayer before Thy throne,
That theirs may be the love which knows no ending,
Whom Thou forevermore dost join in one.

O perfect Life, be Thou their full assurance,
Of tender charity and steadfast faith,
Of patient hope and quiet, brave endurance,
With childlike trust that fears nor pain nor death.

Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow;
Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife,
And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
That dawns upon eternal love and life.

Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving,
Through Jesus Christ, Thy coeternal Word,
Who, with the Holy Ghost, by all things living
Now and to endless ages art adored

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

Savior, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us;
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
yet unfearing, persevering,
to thy passion thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
love with every passion blending
pleasure that can never cloy;
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end:
be thou ever near me,
my Master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my friend.

O let me see thy footmarks,
and in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone.
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
To his feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us,
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

The king of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never:
Good shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house for ever.

Guide me, O thou great redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven
Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer;
Be thou still my strength and shield;
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee;
I will ever give to thee.

Lord, the light of Your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the Truth You now bring us,
Shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's
glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and
mercy;
Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.*

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence,
From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness,
Shine on me, shine on me.
Shine, Jesus

As we gaze on Your Kingly brightness,
So our faces display Your likeness;
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirror'd here may our lives tell Your story,
Shine on me, shine on me.
Shine Jesus

Be still for the presence of the Lord
The holy one is here
Come bow before him now
With reverence and fear
In him no sin is found
We stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord
The holy one is here

Be still for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around
He burns with holy fire
With splendour he is crowned
How awesome is the sight
Our radiant king of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around

Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal
To minister his grace
No work too hard for him
In faith receive from him
Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place

JESUS, Lord, we pray,
be our guest today;
gospel story has recorded
how your glory was afforded
to a wedding day;
be our guest, we pray.

Lord of love and life,
blessing man and wife,
as they stand, their need confessing,
may your hand take theirs in blessing;
you will share their life;
bless this man and wife.

Lord of hope and faith,
faithful unto death,
let the ring serve as a token
of a love sincere, unbroken,
love more strong than death,
Lord of hope and faith.

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the
lathe,
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the
day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
Give me joy in my heart, I pray,
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
Keep me praising till the end of day

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King of Kings!
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King!

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Give me peace in my heart, I pray,
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Keep me resting till the end of day

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Give me love in my heart, I pray,
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Keep me serving till the end of day

Organ music for weddings

Entrance of the Bride

Bach	Air on the G string
Bach	Sheep may safely graze
Beethoven	Ode to Joy
Charpentier	March from Te Deum
Clarke	Prince of Denmark's March (also known as Purcells' 'Trumpet Voluntary')
Handel	Arrival of the Queen of Sheba
Handel	Air from the Water Music
Handel	La Rejouissance from Music for the Royal Fireworks
Mathias	Processional
Mussorgsky	Promenade from Pictures at an Exhibition
Pachelbel	Canon in D
Purcell	Trumpet Tune
Stanley	Trumpet Voluntary
Wagner	Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin

Signing the Register

Bach	Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
Bach	Air on the G String
Bach	Prelude in C Major
Bach	Sheep may safely graze
Bach/Gounod	Ave Maria
Brahms	Waltz in A flat
Traditional	Greensleeves
Handel	Air from the Water Music
Handel	Largo
Cesar Franck	Panis Angelicus
Pachelbel	Canon in D
Saint-Saens	The Swan from Carnival of the Animals
Schubert	Ave Maria
Vaughan Williams	Rosymedre from Preludes on Welsh Hymn Tunes

Exit of the Bride and Groom

Clarke	Prince of Denmark's March (also known as Purcell's 'Trumpet Voluntary')
Handel	Hornpipe from the Water Music
Handel	La Rejouissance from Music for the Royal Fireworks
Haydn	The Heavens are Telling
Harg-Elert	Chorale Improvisation on Now thank we all our God
Mathias	Processional
Mendelssohn	Wedding March from A Midsummer Night's Dream
Pachelbel	Canon in D
Purcell	Trumpet Tune
Stanley	Trumpet Voluntary
Verdi	Triumphant March from Aida
Walton	Crown Imperial
Widor	Toccata from Symphony No.5

These lists are neither exhaustive nor obligatory. Please discuss your options with the organist in question as soon as possible, who will be happy to offer further guidance.

Choir Items (Sung by Clifton Church Choir)

Peter Aston	I Give You a New Commandment
Bach/Gounod	Ave Maria
Bach	Flocks in Pastures Green
Bach	Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
Bach	My Heart Ever Faithful
Maurice Evans	There's a Wideness in God's Mercy
Elgar	Ave Verum Corpus
David Evans	Be Still (a choir arrangement of a well known hymn)
Martin How	Day by Day
Arr. Martin How	Fairest Lord Jesus (Silesian Folk tune)
Arr Gordon Jacob	Brother James' Air
Mozart	Ave Verum Corpus
John Rutter	For the beauty of the Earth
John Rutter	I will sing with the Spirit
John Rutter	The Lord Bless You and Keep You
John Rutter	The Peace of God
Schubert	Ave Maria
Walford Davies	God be in my Head
S.S. Wesley	Lead me Lord
Arr. Wood	King Jesus hath a Garden (Traditional Dutch Tune)

These items would normally be sung by the choir during the signing of the register. The choir also leads the congregation in the singing of hymns. Please discuss your options with the organist as soon as possible, who will be happy to discuss all matters relating to the hymns and music.

Notes

